

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as follows:

**On page 1, please amend paragraph [0001] as follows:**

The present invention relates to a powertrain system and, more particularly, to a hybrid powertrain system including an automated transmission. This invention was made with Government support under NREL Subcontract No. ZCL-2-32060-01, Prime Contract DE-AC36-99GO10337 awarded by the Department of Energy. The government has certain rights in this invention.